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RUSSIANS SEIZE SIX VILLAGES

Make Gains Along Rivers In Galicia, South Of Brody

Reported Capture Of 140 Officers And 5,800 Men

London, Aug. 7.—The Russian war office reports additional gains in northern Galicia, where they have occupied six villages along the Serezh and Graberke rivers, south of the town of Brody.

Sharp fighting marked the engagement, the Russians being forced in the villages to drive their adversaries from house to house. The Austro-Germans at last reports, were bombarding violently their lost positions.

In the fighting the Russians claim the capture of a regimental commander and 140 other officers and more than 5,800 men, and also numerous machine guns and bomb throwers. Berlin admits that the Russians have gained the left bank of the Serezh river, but asserts that the Germans have made progress against the French in the Chapitre wood, near Verdun, and in mining operations against them in the Argonne; that the Russians have been driven from positions along the Stokhod south of Zarecce and that in the Carpathians the Germans are still operating successfully.

Slight advances for the British at High wood and east of Pozieres, on the Somme front, and by the French southwest of Estrees, south of the Somme, and to the northwest of the Thiaumont work near Verdun are recorded in the British and French communications. In the sector northwest of Pozieres the Germans forced the British back along one of their trenches, but later the British regained the lost ground.

The Germans are heavily bombarding the Thiaumont work and Fleury positions of the French.

Turks Suffer Reverses.
In Asiatic Turkey the Russians report the capture at various places of new Turkish positions. In the Kialkit-Chia river basin positions protected by five lines of trenches were wrested from the Turks, while south of Ognut additional trenches and two heights

were captured. In the region of Mush and Bitlis the Turks have assumed the offensive, but Petrograd says they are being held by the Russian fire.

The 14,000 Turkish troops operating on a seven mile front from the east against the Suez canal also have met with defeat at the hands of the British and have been forced to flee, leaving more than 2,500 prisoners behind them, including some Germans, says London. In addition the Ottomans suffered heavy casualties. Australian and New Zealand troops took an important part in the fighting.

In the Austro-Italian theater the Italians are heavily bombarding the Italian lines between the Adige and upper Isouze rivers and the Pausio area, while in the Sargana valley and the upper Cordevole valley they launched infantry attacks against the Italians. These attacks, according to Rome, were repulsed.

Unofficial advices from Salonica say the Serbians have taken from the Bulgarians the village of Remil, on the Macedonian front.

SPIES IN CANAL ZONE

Administration to Ask Congress to Supplement Existing Laws.

Washington, Aug. 7.—Activities of persons suspected of being spies employed by foreign governments to acquire information regarding the nature and extent of the defenses of the Panama canal have made the administration decide to request congress to supplement the existing laws against the improper acquisition of knowledge of military and naval plans and fortifications.

Several of the military powers of the world are believed to have undertaken to obtain information as to the character of the defenses of the Panama canal. The latest incident to excite suspicion is the operations of a little Japanese power vessel, ostensibly a fishing launch, which sought to obtain a permit for pearl fishing in the waters of Panama bay and vicinity.

INCREASES SHOWN IN MANUFACTURES

Washington, Aug. 7.—Value of manufactures in the United States was \$24,246,323,000 in 1914, the census bureau reported in announcing its preliminary statement of general results of the latest census of manufactures. In the five year period from 1909, the date of the previous census, manufactures increased \$3,574,271,000 in value, or 17.3 per cent. In the period since the 1914 census manufactures have made rapid increases, but no estimate of their value for this year has been made by the census bureau.

Increases were found in all items

except proprietors and firm members, which dropped 3.1 per cent. Salaries increased 37.2 per cent; capital, 23.7; salaried employees, 22; primary horse power, 20.7; wages, 19; materials, 18.3; value of products, 17.3; value added by manufacture, 15.8; wages earned, 6.4, and number of establishments, 2.7.

Capital invested was \$22,790,880,000, a gain of \$4,362,610,000 over 1909. Persons engaged numbered 8,265,426, of whom 7,036,337 were wage earners, 964,217 salaried employees and 264,872 proprietors and firm members.

HUGHES AT DETROIT

Republican Candidate Opens His Campaign Tonight.

Detroit, Aug. 7.—Charles E. Hughes, Republican presidential nominee, begins his campaign here today with two speeches. Mr. Hughes arrived from Niagara Falls shortly after 8 o'clock this morning, but will not speak until late in the evening. A strenuous day has been mapped out for the nominee.

Receives Another Threatening Note.

East Liverpool, O., Aug. 7.—A note threatening to destroy the eyes of Mrs. Irma Little, twenty-three, wife of George Little, wealthy steel manufacturer of this city, was received from an unknown writer. Mrs. Little was attacked in her apartment last week by an unknown man, who threw acid on her arm and then escaped. The note is the fourth received making threats against Mrs. Little. Her unknown assailant is believed by the police to be the writer.

FRENCHMEN "SNAPPED" BY PHOTOGRAPHER AS THEY CHARGE GERMAN POSITION



This war photograph, one of the most remarkable to reach this country recently from the war zones, shows French soldiers, wearing a new steel helmet, advancing through a hail of fire from German machine guns shooting through embrasures in the crest of the ridge above them. The picture is official, made with the authority of the French government and was taken in the very midst of recent fighting around Verdun, where the French are reported to have made further advances in furious attacks on the German lines.

AUTO STALLS ON TRACK THREE PERSONS KILLED

Algoma, Wis., Aug. 7.—When Mrs. John Matzke tried to drive across a railroad track ahead of a fast freight train her automobile engine was "killed" in the center of the track, and before she or her guests could jump the train had swept the machine and occupants into the ditch, killing three and injuring three others, probably fatally. They were taken to Green Bay by special train for hospital attention, but there is little chance that

any can recover. The machine was on a picnic trip to Lake Michigan, and contained Mrs. Matzke, her two sons, Philip and Martin, Mrs. Howard Schmidt, Mrs. Marie Pusch and Miss Anna Matzke.

Attacked by Cramps.
Elyria, O., Aug. 7.—Gustav Bartlett, twenty-six, a machinist employed in Cleveland, was drowned in Vermilion when attacked by cramps while swimming at Linwood park.

BODIES RECOVERED

Cleveland Aug. 7.—Bodies of two workmen buried in the explosion in the waterworks tunnel here were recovered by rescue parties. The bodies had been buried under tons of mud. There are seven more bodies in the tunnel, which have not been taken out. The bodies were identified as William Lahnstein, miner, and Thomas Clark, hoisting engineer.

SEVEN HURT IN EXPLOSION

Lawton, O., Aug. 7.—Seven men were injured, D. S. Fuik probably fatally, three seriously and three severely burned and bruised by a powder explosion in the Recording and Computing Machine company's plant here. The men were working in the fuse department of the plant. A spark from one of the machines is believed to have ignited the powder.

Breaking It Gently.
Beginner—Now you've seen my style do you think you can tell me what sort of golfer I shall make? Professional—Yes, sir, if you can stand the shock.

BAD WRECK AT NEWARK

Newark, O., Aug. 7.—Twenty minutes after a fast Pennsylvania passenger train had passed the point, twenty heavily loaded freight cars were derailed by a defective switch here demolishing 500 feet of double track used jointly by the Pennsylvania and Baltimore and Ohio lines and delaying traffic. Many of the cars were destroyed.

CHINAMAN BEATEN UP

Cleveland, Aug. 7.—Lee Lock, manager of a Chinese restaurant, was found badly beaten and lying on the lawn at the rear of the courthouse on the lake front here. He is believed to have been lured to the spot and assaulted by members of a rival tong.

Dead at 101.
Cincinnati, Aug. 7.—Miss Frances Eckstein died of pneumonia. She was born in 1815 and would have been 101 years old Oct. 28. About a week ago she contracted a cold and pneumonia set in.

AWAITING TO HEAR FROM THE COUNTRY

Senate Finance Committee Lowers Income Tax Exemption.

Washington, Aug. 7.—Democrats of the senate finance committee who voted to lower the income tax exemption in the revenue bill are anxiously awaiting to hear from the country on the recommendation, which will be submitted to a party caucus some time this week for approval.

Protests against it already have been heard within the party. The amendment prevailed in the committee by a majority of but one vote, and the minority propose to fight it in caucus. Its opponents will use as one argument a suggestion from President Wilson in his annual message to the Sixty-fourth congress for a reduction in the exemption.

Administration leaders regard the revenue problem now as quite the most important before congress, and the finance committee hopes to complete its revision of the house bill so that it may be passed upon by the party caucus and be ready for senate action within ten days. The house bill would provide for about \$210,000,000 in revenue. The finance committee is working to present a bill that would yield \$275,000,000 or more. That the session may be extended many weeks is possible, particularly if threatened trouble materializes in the house over the senate naval construction program. Conferees of the naval bill will undertake to reach an agreement on that salient feature of the national defense legislation this week.

GENERAL SHARPE'S DENIAL

No Second Hand Equipment Allotted to Ohio National Guard.

Washington, Aug. 7.—Brigadier General Henry G. Sharpe, acting quartermaster general of the army, denied very vigorously the charge that undesirable and second-hand equipment has been allotted to the Ohio national guard. "Everybody who is familiar with the quartermaster branch of the regular army knows that the charge is false," said he. "We never allot unserviceable stuff, or even second-hand equipment, except to the prisoners in the federal penitentiaries."

General Sharpe said the records of his office show that complete equipment has now been sent to the Ohio guard.

PROVIDES PENSIONS FOR AGED OHIOANS

Measure Drafted By Social Workers of the State.

Columbus, Aug. 7.—Delegates from labor, civic, suffrage and philanthropic organizations from all over Ohio met at the Hartman hotel here and drafted a bill to provide old age pensions for aged citizens of Ohio. This resolution was adopted:

"Resolved, That we, representatives of civic and labor organizations, assembled in Columbus Aug. 6, 1916, declare in favor of the submission to popular vote in November, 1917, a noncontributory old-age pension act, which shall guarantee to all aged and needy citizens in Ohio an income of \$20 per month, and which shall provide the revenue therefor, not by additional taxes upon general property, but by the taxation of the large inherited fortunes."

The bill provides that a beneficiary shall be more than sixty-five years old. The following were elected officers of the league: George W. Compton, Columbus, president; Arnold Bill, Cleveland, vice president; Frank E. Bell, Cincinnati, secretary-treasurer; Carl Brannin, Cincinnati, executive secretary.

Liquor Licensing Board Reports.
Columbus, Aug. 7.—The state liquor licensing board filed its annual report with Governor Frank B. Willis for the year ending June 30. It is largely devoted to statistics and does not contain any recommendations. The comparison of prosecutions is counted on as an answer to recent charges that the license system has been running with laxity under the board's administration. Increased fines and augmented prosecutions are cited.

Attorney Pugh Dead.
Columbus, Aug. 7.—John C. L. Pugh, one of the best known attorneys in Columbus, died at his home in Grandview. He was sixty years of age. Mr. Pugh was elected to the legislature in 1898, serving as senator in the Sixty-third general assembly. He also was once a candidate for the congressional nomination.

Farmer a Suicide.
Marysville, O., Aug. 7.—Charles O. Jewitt, fifty, who recently purchased a farm near Magnetic Springs, committed suicide by hanging himself in the upstairs of his new home. He left a note saying that no one was responsible for his act; that he was melancholy and had no mind. A widow and three daughters survive.

Show Boat Burns.
Cincinnati, Aug. 7.—The moving picture show boat Illinois burned at Neville, O., on the Ohio river. The spectators, about 100 in number, escaped with the exception of a five-year-old child, who was fatally burned.

Waded Beyond Depth.
Newark, O., Aug. 7.—John Boast, twenty-five, was drowned while bathing in the Licking river with his wife and sister. The women narrowly escaped the same fate when the trio waded beyond their depth.

LIVE STOCK AND GRAIN

EAST BUFFALO, Aug. 7.
Cattle—Shilling steers, \$5@10; butchers steers, \$4@8.75; heifers, \$4@8.35; cows, \$4@7.50; bulls, \$5@7.50; fresh cows and springers, \$5@11.50; calves, \$4.50@12.50.
Hogs—Heavy and mixed, \$10.20@10.30; Yorkers, \$10@10.25; pigs, \$10; roughs, \$4.60; stags, \$4.50@7.50.
Sheep and Lambs—Yearlings, \$5.50@9; wethers, \$7.75@8.50; ewes, \$4@7.50; mixed sheep, \$7.50@7.75; lambs, \$7@11.25.

CHICAGO, Aug. 7.
Cattle—Native beef steers, \$5.70@10.35; western steers, \$5.65@8.40; stockers and feeders, \$5@7.90; cows and heifers, \$3.50@9.15; calves, \$8.75@12.25.
Hogs—Light, \$9.45@10; mixed, \$9@10; heavy, \$8.50@10; roughs, \$8.50@9.50; pigs, \$7.75@9.40.
Sheep and Lambs—Wethers, \$6.75@8.25; lambs, \$7.50@11.

CLEVELAND, Aug. 7.
Cattle—Choice fat steers, \$8.25@8.75; butcher steers, \$7.50@8.75; heifers, \$7@8; bulls, \$5.25@6.25; cows, \$3.50@6.50; calves, \$12.75@13.
Sheep and Lambs—Wethers, \$7.50@7.75; ewes, \$7@7.50; lambs, \$7.50@10.75.

PITTSBURGH, Aug. 7.
Cattle—Choice fat steers, \$8.75@9.25; butcher steers, \$6.50@8.75; heifers, \$7.75@8.50; cows, \$5.75@6.75; bulls, \$6.75@7.50; top calves, \$13.
Hogs—Heavy, \$10.10@10.15; heavy Yorkers, \$10.25@10.30; light Yorkers, \$10.15@10.25; pigs, \$10@10.10.

CINCINNATI, Aug. 7.
Cattle—Steers, \$5.50@8.50; heifers, \$5@7.75; cows, \$4.25@7.75; calves, \$5@12.
Hogs—Packers and butchers, \$9.75@9.85; common to choice, \$9.10@9.75; pigs and lights, \$8.50@9.35; stags, \$6@7.25.
Sheep and Lambs—Sheep, \$2.50@7.50; lambs, \$5@11.50.

BOSTON, Aug. 7.
Wool—Ohio and Pennsylvania fleeces: Delaine washed, 35@40; half blood combing, 30; three-fourths blood combing, 45; delaine unwashed, 35c.

TOLEDO, Aug. 7.
Wheat, \$1.42; corn, \$1.20; oats, 45@46; clover seed, \$9.60.

SETTLEMENT IS SEEN

By Mayor Of New York In Differences

Submits Proposals to Street Railway and Union Officials.

END OF CAR STRIKE IN SIGHT

Mayor of New York, With the Co-operation of Oscar Strauss, Held Series of Conferences With Representatives of the Street Railway Company and the Employees—Interborough Company Increases Wages.

New York, Aug. 7.—According to a statement issued by Mayor Mitchell, settlement of the streetcar strike, which resulted in a complete suspension of surface car traffic, is probable today.

The mayor's announcement came after a series of conferences initiated by Mayor Mitchell, with the co-operation of Oscar S. Strauss, chairman of the public service commission. At these meetings, it was said, a basis of settlement had been reported which would be submitted to the board of directors of the New York Railways company and to its striking employees.

Mayor Mitchell said: "We have submitted certain proposals for a settlement of the street railway strike to President Shonts of the New York Railways company and to the representatives of the striking employees. A basis of settlement has been found and will be recommended by President Shonts to his board of directors for ratification and by the representatives of the men to the employees for ratification by them. Upon ratification of the proposed settlement by both sides the men will immediately return to work and service will be resumed on the entire New York railways system."

President Mahon confirmed the announcement of Mayor Mitchell, but declined to discuss the proposed terms of settlement. "We believe," he said, "that if the propositions which have been agreed to by the representatives of the company and ourselves are ratified they will establish a very satisfactory agreement."

The Interborough Rapid Transit company announced that all employees of the Interborough, numbering approximately 12,000, will receive \$1 per day extra until further notice. Traffic in the subway and on the elevated lines, which are controlled by the Interborough, has been heavily increased by the disturbed conditions on the surface roads.

INDORSE WILSON

San Francisco, Aug. 7.—President Wilson was unanimously endorsed here at a conference of California Progressives, who also completed the organization of the Woodrow Wilson Progressive league and laid plans for participating in the campaign of the nation's executive for re-election. Francis J. Heney of Los Angeles, former Progressive candidate for United States senator, was elected president.

8 PERSONS INJURED

Dayton, O., Aug. 7.—Eight persons were injured when Max Roschman, seventeen, was struck in the eye by a bee and lost control of an automobile he was driving and the machine turned over on the Springboro pike near Dayton. Roschman suffered a compound fracture of his left leg; Edward Brody, twenty-one, suffered a compound fracture of his left thigh.